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AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R § 1.312

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Sir :

Pursuant to the receipt of the Notice of Allowance and Issue Fee Due dated December 30, 2005, Applicant respectfully requests entry of the herein-contained amendment under the provisions of 37 C.F.R. § 1.312.

Amendments to the Claims begins on page 2 of this Amendment.

Remarks begin on page 23 of this Amendment.